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OUTLINE FOR STUDY OF A COMMUNIST PARTY

Name and Definition of the Party

What is the general character of the Party (or parties) which represent the Communist Movement (ideology) in the area in question? Name?

- A. Status (legal, illegal, front, etc.)?
- B. Stalinist (orthodox)?
- C. Trotskyist, Titoist, etc. (deviationist)?
- D. Separate Communist Party for other national (minority) groups?
- E. In POWER or SEEKING POWER?

II. Short Oultine of Party's History.

- A. Continuous history since 1919 (or before) until the advent of World War II (short).
- B. Formation during and after World War II.
- C. Growth curve.
- D. History of legality and/or illegality. (short).
- E. Position of the Party during the 1949-1951 period (policy, strength, leaders, etc.).

III. What are the Basic Principles of Party Organization?

- A. Democratic centralism.
 - 1. Decisions of higher echelon binding lower echelons.
 - 2. "Free" discussion and "self-criticism".
- B. Discipline.
- C. Unity of action and types of action (subversion, penetration, etc.).



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WW. What is the Basic Structure and Functions of Party Organization?

- A. National headquarters (Congress, Convention, Central Committee, Secretariat, Party Control Commission, Committees, Commissions, etc.).
- B. Regional (Inter-regional headquarters?
- C. Local headquarters?
 - 1. Districts.
 - 2. Locals and groups.
- D. Does the formal organization follow orthodox organizational lines?
- E. Does the Secretariat contain any special units peculiar to the community (Colonial affiars, Indian affairs, P.O.W. affairs, etc.)?

V. What is the Geographical Distribution by Area and Trend?

- A. Industrial Areas (basic industries, etc.), urban.
- B. Farm and forest areas (rural).

VI. What are Current Party Characteristics?

- A Emphasis on Party mass activities.
 - 1. National activities organization for mass work Party factions in:
 - a. Labor.
 - b. Youth and women.
 - c. Intellectuals.
 - d. Professionals.
 - e. Nationality groups.
 - f. Other groups and movements.

2. International.

- a. Mass (Front) organizations: WFTU, WFDY, WIFD, WPC, etc. (general purpose organizations).
- b. Mass organizations (specific purpose). Civil Libertles Congress, Negro Congress, International Workers Order, etc.



B. Organizational emphasis.



- 1. Membership and cadre development (recruitment, selection, training and indoctrination).
- 2. Discipline (counteracting Party factionalism, punitive measures).
- 3. Finances (dues and assessments of members, collection of funds, party enterprises, etc).
- 4. Propaganda and agitation (organization for propaganda and agitation effort).
 - a. National elections (parliamentary effort).
 - b. Specific (negro, minorities, immigrants, etc.).
 - c. Other.

C. Internal Party trends.

- 1. Factionalism.
- 2. Clash of interests (CP labor policies vs. CP policies).
- 3. "Indecisionsim" (tailism).
- 4. Other local issues.
- D. Current objectives (the current "authentia" Party line).
 - 1. Major shifts in Party line adapted to local conditions for deception and lure of opposition purposes.
 - 2. Policy re current domestic problems.
 - 3. Current plans and operations.
 - We Methods of obtaining Party aims (tactics, parliamentary, agitation and propaganda, persuasion, exploitation of current difficulties of the country, etc.).

S. Capabilities.

- 1. Strength (internal strength, personalities, training, loyalty).
- 2. Leadership (dual apparatus for clandestine work -- emergency and/or shadow).
- 3. Membership (origin, motivation, integration).
- 4. Organization (unity, efficiency, extent).

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- F. Plans and operations.
- G. Vulnerabilities (Propaganda and other setbacks, mistakes, etc.).

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- H. Consolidation attempts with non-Communist Parties, organizations, groups, United Front, etc.).
- I. Subversive trends of current interest.
- J. Preparations against repressive countermeasures of the government.

VII. Clandestine Activities.

- A. Penetration of government and other civic bodies for policy influencing.
- B. Intelligence and CE work.
- C. Military (para-military) work (penetration of armed and security services).
- D. Guerrilla and sabotage potential.

VIII. International Connections.

- A. Cominform (degree of participation).
- B. Other international bodies (UN, ILO, etc.).
- C. Position within the World Communist Movement.

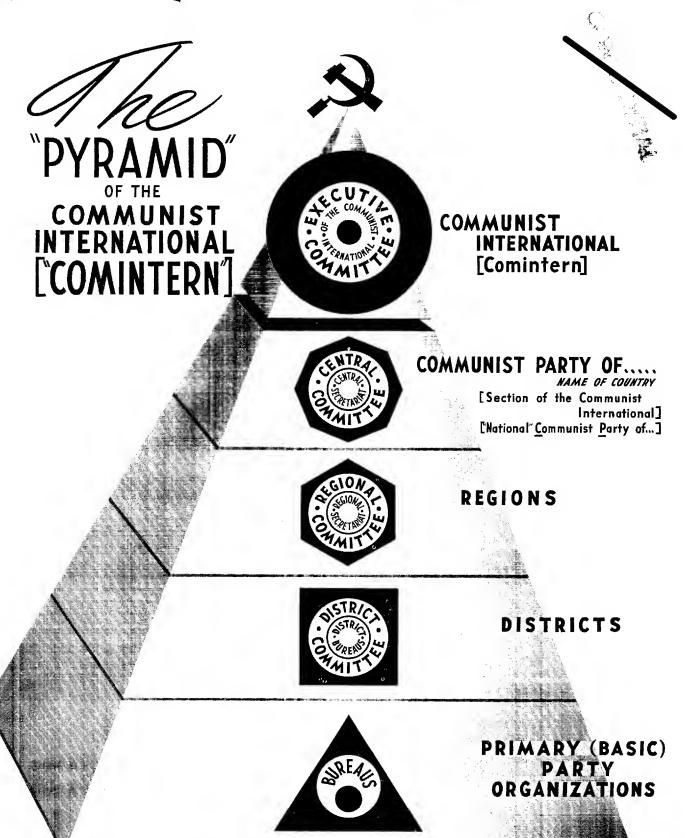
IX. Integration of National, Political and Economic Interests with Those of the USSR.

- A. Assistance in advance of Soviet influence in Asia.
- Assistance in undermining American assistance plans (ECA, Point Four, etc.).
- C. Pledging readiness to support the USSR in case of war, and at the same time to carry on Soviet Peace offensives.

X. Summary of Preceding Chapters.

- A. Merits of the Party and its past achievements.
- B. Current intentions and facilities.
- C. Capabilities and limitations (aggressive or defensive).
- D. Vulnerabilities (strategic and tactical).

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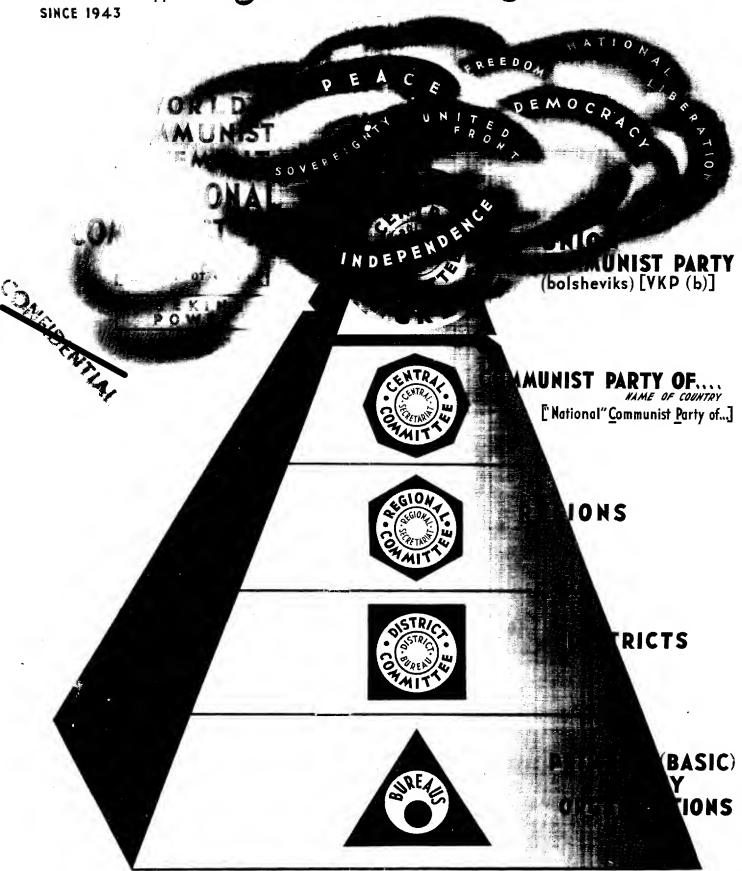
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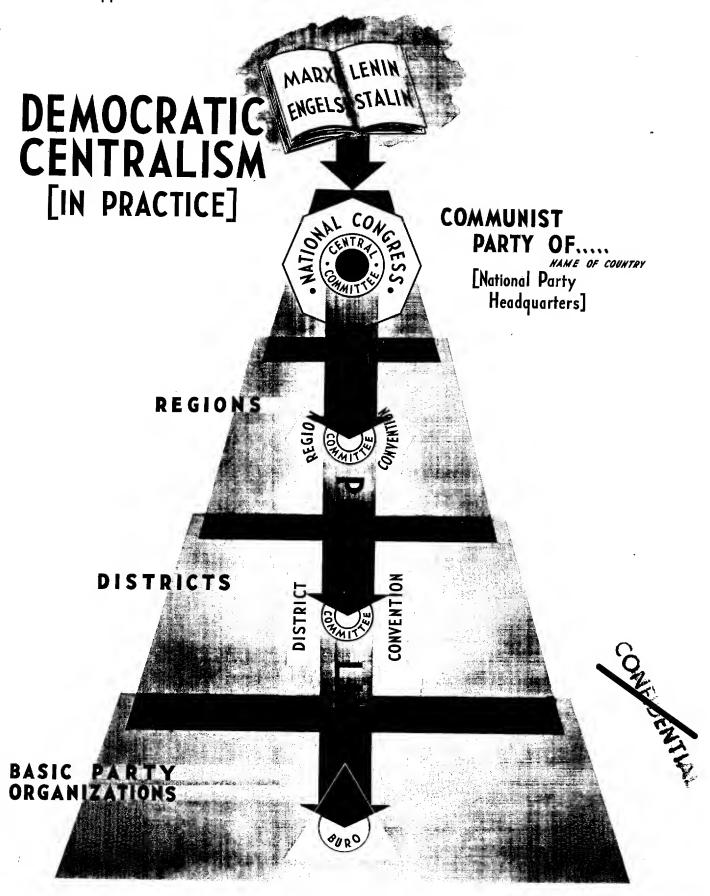
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